

REMARKS

The above-identified application has been amended. The multiple dependency of claims 6, 7, 10, 12, 13, 14 and the referenced numbers within claims 1-14 have been deleted. The claim language has also been amended for easier understanding of the defined subject matter. The marked-up version of the amended claims is attached hereto as APPENDIX A. Favorable action on the application is solicited.

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APPENDIX A

Version With Markings to Show Changes Made

1. A linear inductive transducer [(T)] [including]comprising:
 - [•] electric windings [(1-4)][with]including
 - [•] a first primary winding [(1)], and
 - [•] a pair of secondary windings[(2,4)],
 - [•] a magnetic core[(8)], for performing linear displacements relative to the electric windings,
 - [•] a pair of input terminals [(5,6)] electrically connected to said first primary winding [(1)] [•] and adapted for being electrically connected to a power supply unit [(C,11,13)],
 - [•] at least [an]one output terminal [(7)] electrically connected to said electric windings [(1-4)], the transducer [(T)] being adapted for providing, through the output terminal [(7)], an electric signal [(Vo)] indicative of the mutual position between said electric windings [(1-4)] and said magnetic core [(8)], [characterized in that] wherein the electric windings include a second primary winding [(3)] between said first primary winding [(1)] and [an input terminal] one of said [pair] input terminals [(5,6)], [the] said first and second primary windings [(1,3)] being electrically connected to each other and to said pair of secondary windings [(2,4)], said electric signal [(Vo)] including a first [(Vs)] and a second [(Vs')]component, indicative of the mutual position between the magnetic core [(8)] and said primary windings [(1,3)] and said secondary windings [(2,4)], respectively.
2. The transducer according to claim 1, wherein [the] said first primary winding [(1)] and [the] said second primary winding [(3)] are mutually connected in series at a connection point [(9)], [the] and said secondary windings [(2,4) being] are electrically connected to said connection point [(9)].

3. The transducer according to claim 2, wherein [each of] said first primary winding [(1)] and said second primary winding [(3)] [provides] are each adapted to provide a signal [(V1,V3)] that is variable as the mutual position between said first primary winding [(1)] or said second primary winding [(3)] and said magnetic core [(8)] varies, the first component [Vs] of said electric signal [(Vo)] being proportional to the difference between the signals [(V1,V3)] provided by the first and second primary windings, [(1,3)]respectively.

4. The transducer according to claim 3, wherein the secondary windings [(2,4)] are mutually connected in phase opposition.

5. The transducer according to claim 4, wherein each of said secondary windings [(2,4)] provides an induced signal [(V2,V4)] that is variable as the mutual position between said electric windings [(1-4)] and said magnetic core [(8)] varies, the second component [(Vs')] of the electric signal [(Vo)] being proportional to the difference between said induced signals [(V2,V4)].

6. The transducer according to [one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein said first primary winding [(1)] and said second primary winding [(3)] have the same number [(N1)] of turns, and each of said secondary windings [(2,4)] has the same number [(N2)] of turns as the other.

7. The transducer according to [one of the preceding claims] claim 1, wherein said power supply unit includes two sinusoidal voltage generators [(11,13)] connected in phase opposition.

8. A linear inductive transducer [(T')] [including] comprising:

- [•] electric windings [(21-24)] [with] including
 - [•] a first primary winding [(21)], and
 - [•] a pair of secondary windings[(22,24)],

- [•] a magnetic core [(28)] for performing linear displacements relative to the electric windings,
- [•] a pair of input terminals [(32,34)] electrically connected to said primary winding [(21)] and adapted for being electrically connected to a power supply unit [(11,13;11')], and
- [•] output terminals [(31,33,35)] electrically connected to said electric windings [(21-24)], the transducer [(T')] being adapted for providing[,] at least one of said output terminals [(31,33,35),] with an electric signal [(Vo;Vo';Vo")] indicative of the mutual position between said electric windings [(21-24)] and said magnetic core [(8)], characterized in that] wherein the electric windings include a second primary winding [(23)] between said first primary winding [(21)] and an input terminal of said pair [(32,34)], the [primary] [(21)] first and [the] second primary [(23)] windings being mutually connected in series at a connection point [(29)], said output terminals [include] including three output terminals [(31,33,35)] electrically connected to the ends of said pair of secondary windings [(22,24)], and to said connection point [(29)] between the primary windings, [(21,23)]respectively, the transducer [(T')] being adapted for selectively providing said electric signal [(Vo;Vo';Vo")] at one [(31;33)] or a pair [(31,35)] of said three output terminals [(31,33,35)].

9. The transducer according to claim 8, wherein the secondary windings [(22,24)] are mutually connected in phase opposition.

10. The transducer according to claim 8 [or claim 9], wherein two [(33,35)] of said three output terminals [(31,33,35)] are adapted for being electrically connected to one another for achieving an electric connection between the primary windings [(21,23)] and the secondary windings [(22,24)], the transducer [(T')] being adapted for providing said electric signal [(Vo)] at the other [(31)] of said three output terminals [(31,33,35)].

11. The transducer according to claim 10, wherein said electric signal [(Vo)] includes a

first [(Vs)] and a second [(Vs')] component, indicative of the mutual position between the magnetic core [(28)] and the primary windings [(21,23)] and[, respectively, the second]secondary windings respectively[(22,24)].

12. The transducer according to claim 8 [or claim 9], wherein two [(31,35)] of said three output terminals [(31,33,35)] are adapted for being insulated, the transducer [(T')] being adapted for providing said electric signal [(Vo')]] at the other [(33)] of said three output terminals [(31,33,35)].

13. The transducer according to [one of claims from 8 to 12] claim 8, wherein said power supply unit includes two sinusoidal voltage generators [(11,13)] connected in phase opposition.

14. The transducer according to claim 8 [or claim 9], wherein the output terminal [(33)] connected to the connection point [(29)] is adapted for being insulated, the transducer [(T')] being adapted for providing said electric signal [(Vo'')] at the two output terminals [(31,35)] at the ends of said pair of secondary windings [(22,24)].